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## UMITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III 303 Methodist Building Wheeling, West Virginia 26003

Bankruptcy Trustee Mr. Martin F. Sheehan 41 15th Street Wheeling, WV 26003

Re: Blue Ribbon Paint Company

2321 Main Street, Wheeling, WV

Dear Mr. Sheehan:

This is to formally request that you provide temporary access for the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and its representatives to conduct certain actions outlined below in order to respond to a possible release of hazardous substances at property. This request relates to property ("the Property") located immediately adjacent to and paralleling Main Street, located in Wheeling, Ohio County, West Virginia, EPA's actions at the Property will be taken under the authority of the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA").

Specifically, this letter requests EPA access to the Property to:

- 1. Collect samples necessary to determine the presence and extent of hazardous substances on the Property located immediately adjacent to Site; and
- 2. Establish and maintain a temporary EPA response center ("Command Post"). This will involve locating a trailer with office equipment, construction bathrooms, garbage dumpster and vehicle parking on the Property, and will also involve ingress and egress for EPA employees and representatives involved in conducting official EPA business related to coordinating the site investigation for the Blue Ribbon Paint Company Site.

This access is for a period of approximately 365 days, beginning on the date of the initial sampling and terminating on a year from that date.

EPA will offer you a receipt for any samples taken on the Property. EPA's actions on the Property will be conducted pursuant to law.

Please countersign this letter and return it to me as soon

as possible. I can be reached at 304-234-0251. My facsimile number is 304-234-0259.

For EPA:

Marjorie Easton Federal On-Scene Coordinator

U.S. EPA Region III

Martin F. Sheehan

Bankruptcy Trustee for Blue Ribbon

Paint Company Site

cc: Site File